

Presentation of the Proposed Michigan Teacher Leader Preparation Standards



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Purpose of Teacher Leader Standards

Outline expectations for programs preparing teachers to receive the third tier Advanced Professional Education Certificate, or those who wish to serve as teacher leaders



Benefits of Third Tier Advanced Professional Education Certificate

- Recognizes teacher effectiveness
- Gives teachers an opportunity to function as leaders without giving up classroom teaching
- Provides additional leadership support to the building administrator
- Provides the opportunity for mentoring, coaching, and observation to other teachers



Overview of Standards Development Process

In 2012, a Michigan Department of Education (MDE) cross-office work group was formed to:

- Examine policies and practices impacting teacher leaders
- Draft a set of standards to guide preparation and indicate readiness for recommendation to the Advanced Professional Education certificate



Overview of Standards Development Process (Cont.)

The MDE work group examined:

- Teacher Leader Model Standards developed by the Teacher Leadership Exploratory Consortium
- Stakeholder input
- National expectations including National Board Certification requirements
- Other states' programs



Highlights of Standards

The standards reflect current professional needs and MDE/State Board of Education (SBE) priorities:

- Technology Initiative
- Career-and College-Readiness Outcomes
- Focus on Individual Learners
- Alignment to the MI-InTASC and Principal Standards



Overview of Standards

Comprised of seven standards with performance-based elements:

1. School Vision and Mission
2. School Culture
3. Accessing and Using Research
4. Professional Learning
5. Improving Instruction
6. Family and Community
7. Advocating for Students/Profession



Example

Standard 3 -Accessing and Using Research

Teaches and supports colleagues to collect, analyze, and utilize data from their classrooms to improve teaching and learning



Requirements for a Third Tier Optional Certificate

Applicant:

- Currently holds the Professional Education certificate
- Has five consecutive effective or highly effective annual teacher evaluations in the most recent five year period that meet the requirements of MCL 380.1249
- Holds national board certification or has completed an approved teacher leader training or preparation program



Recommendation to Adopt Standards

Recommendation to adopt the Michigan Teacher Leader Preparation Standards to prepare teachers to qualify for the third tier Advanced Professional Education Certificate at the August 13 Board meeting after a period of public comment and, if necessary, revision



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